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Situation Report Severe Storms & Flooding May 7, 2007, 6pm

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SUMMARY

A line of severe spring thunderstorms swept across western Missouri on Sunday drenching the western portion of Missouri and eastern Kansas and Nebraska with heavy rains, some hail, and high winds. This same storm system brought devastating tornadoes to Central Kansas and Northern Oklahoma over the weekend. The rains from this system have been filling streams and rivers because the ground was saturated by last week's rain events. This has caused flooding in northwest Missouri along the Missouri River and its tributaries.

On Monday, Governor Blunt declared a State of Emergency and activated the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC). The SEOC will be staffed by state agencies on a 24-hour basis until further notice. The Governor also ordered National Guard Liaison Officers to local jurisdictions across the impacted area to begin coordination efforts on potential assistance. The Governor also waived certain transportation restrictions on commercial vehicles responding to relief efforts.

County Reports

Andrew County—EOC was activated on Monday morning. Extensive flooding is occurring in Amazonia, Nodaway, and Rosendale. People are evacuating the affected areas.

Atchison County—County commission declared an emergency on Monday. Flooding along the Tarkio River caused MoDOT to close Highway 59 south of the junction with Highway 136. Other local Highways have been closed. Water plants in Tarkio and Fairfax are being threatened by rising water. Three homes and 10 businesses in Tarkio may be affected.

Buchanan County—City of St Joseph has declared an emergency. Flood-fight efforts continue along Missouri River. Crest is expected on Tuesday. Officials report flooding in half of Agency. Residents were being evacuated in Lewis & Clark Village. One shelter was open on Monday, but no population figures were available.

Cass County—Officials report 32 people have been evacuated. One shelter was open on Monday, with a population of 3 people. Numerous roads are under water.

Clay County—Officials report extensive flooding from Fishing River in Mosby. A breach of a private dam near Kearney is also being closely monitored. Highway 69 is closed near Excelsior Springs. One shelter has been opened, but no population figures are available.

Daviess County—Officials were evacuating people from homes and businesses in low-lying areas on Monday. Grand River near Gallatin is expected to crest today, but will likely remain above flood stage until Friday. Water is coming over the levee in Pattonsburg, affecting 4 homes and some businesses.

DeKalb County—Reported about 20 homes affected by flash flooding over the weekend in trailer park near Cameron. A temporary shelter was opened, but has since been closed now that evacuees have been relocated.

Holt County—Officials have declared an emergency. Evacuations were underway in Craig because of levee breaches. I-29 is closed between Mound City and Craig (mile marker 84 to mile marker 92). One shelter has been opened, but no populations figures were available.

Jackson County—Officials in Kansas City activated their EOC on Monday. Significant flash flooding was reported in flood-prone areas. 36 homes were affected by flooding in Buckner. Officials were evacuating residents in Silbey as well.

Lafayette County—Officials report high water in and around Lexington. Highway 224 is under water. No major life-safety issues were reported on Monday.

Nodaway County—Officials report numerous roads and highways under water, but no significant damage to homes or businesses at this time. Heavy traffic is being reported on Highway 71 and 136 due to closure of I-29 in Holt County.

Platte County—Officials report evacuations underway in Parkville. In Riverside, numerous businesses as well as the City Park are being affected by high water.

Flood Forecasts for Missouri River (from National Weather Service)

Location	Last Reported Stage	Forecast
St Joseph Flood Stage=17 ft	24.7 @ 4pm MON Moderate flooding occurring	Crest @ 29.5 on TUE afternoon Major flooding predicted
Atchison, KS Flood Stage=22 ft	27.9 @ 1pm MON Moderate flooding occurring	Crest @ 30.1 on WED morning Major flooding predicted
Leavenworth, KS Flood Stage=20 ft	23.6 @ 8am MON Minor flooding occurring	Crest @ 30.9 on WED morning Major flooding predicted
Kansas City Flood Stage=32 ft	31.9 @ 4pm MON	Crest @ 38.8 on WED afternoon Moderate flooding predicted
Sibley Flood Stage=22 ft	28.5 @ 11am MON Minor flooding occurring	Crest @ 33.6 on WED afternoon Major flooding predicted
Napoleon Flood Stage=17 ft	25.7 @ 3pm MON Moderate flooding occurring	Crest @ 26.5 on WED afternoon Moderate flooding predicted
Waverly Flood Stage=20 ft	25.9 @ 4pm MON Minor flooding occurring	Crest @ 29.5 on WED evening Moderate flooding predicted
Miami Flood Stage=18 ft	17.0 @ 8am MON	Crest @ 30.1 on THU evening Major flooding predicted
Glasgow Flood Stage=25 ft	25.0 @ 4pm MON Minor flooding occurring	Crest @ 36.4 on FRI afternoon Major flooding predicted
Boonville Flood Stage=21 ft	19.5 @ 4pm MON	Crest @ 34.0 on FRI evening Minor flooding predicted
Jefferson City Flood Stage=23 ft	16.4 @ 3pm MON	Rise to 34.1 by SAT morning Major flooding predicted
Chamois Flood Stage=17 ft	11.0 @ 7am MON	Rise to 28.2 by SAT morning Moderate flooding predicted
Gasconade Flood Stage=22 ft	17.4 @ 6am MON	Rise to 33.1 by SAT evening Minor flooding predicted
Hermann Flood Stage=21 ft	15.9 @ 4pm MON	Rise to 32.5 by SUN afternoon Moderate flooding predicted
Washington Flood Stage=20 ft	11.9 @ 7am MON	Rise to 29.7 by SAT morning Moderate flooding predicted
St Charles Flood Stage=25 ft	18.5 @ 3pm MON	Rise to 34.5 by SAT morning Moderate flooding predicted

Flood Forecasts for Mississippi River (from National Weather Service)

Location	Last Reported Stage	Forecast
Hannibal Flood Stage=16 ft	14.8 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 17.1 on WED evening Minor flooding predicted
Saverton Flood Stage=16 ft	13.5 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 16.1 on THU morning Minor flooding predicted
Louisiana Flood Stage=15 ft	13.6 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 15.8 on THU morning Minor flooding predicted
Clarksville Flood Stage=25 ft	24.0 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 26.0 on THU morning Minor flooding predicted
Winfield Flood Stage=26 ft	24.2 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 26.1 on THU evening Minor flooding predicted
Grafton, IL Flood Stage=18 ft	17.6 @ 3pm MON	Crest @ 19.8 on SUN afternoon Minor flooding predicted
Alton, IL Flood Stage=21 ft	17.6 @ 3pm MON	Rise to 25.5 by SUN afternoon Minor flooding predicted
St Louis Flood Stage=30 ft	22.9 @ 3pm MON	Rise to 33.4 by SUN afternoon Minor flooding predicted
Chester, IL Flood Stage=27 ft	25.1 @ 4pm MON	Rise to 34.2 by afternoon of 5/14 Moderate flooding predicted
Cape Girardeau Flood Stage=32 ft	31.0 @ 4pm MON	Rise to 33.7 by SAT afternoon Minor flooding predicted
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State Actions

State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) activated the State Emergency Operations Center at Level-II, and will staff on a 24-hour basis until further notice.

Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) advises motorists not to attempt to cross a flooded road. It can take as little as 6 inches of floodwater to take a person downstream or as little as 2 feet of water to take a vehicle off the roadway.

Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) reports a portion of I-29 is closed between St Joseph and the Iowa border. Traffic is being re-routed north of St Joseph on Highway 71 to Maryville, and Highway 136 to Rock Port. MoDOT is also providing barricades and other support to local jurisdictions as possible.

Missouri Department of Corrections (DOC) is assisting with sandbagging efforts in St Joseph, Boonville, and Jefferson City.

Weather

National Weather Service (NWS) forecast includes a chance of thunderstorms this evening. No widespread severe weather is expected, although some isolated storms may produce hail and high winds. Highs on Tuesday should be in the upper 70s to low 80s across the state.

Point of Contact:

Calls to the SEOC can be made at 573-526-9100. This number will be staffed on a 24-hour basis until further notice.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information may be viewed at the following web address:

<http://sema.dps.mo.gov/Situation%20Reports.htm>